

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION
CITY OF HALF MOON BAY
ORDER NO. 78-17

ORDER AMENDING BOARD ORDER NO. 77-157 AND GRANTING
ADDITIONAL DISCHARGES TO THE CITY'S SEWER SYSTEM
PURSUANT TO ORDER NO. 77-157, AS AMENDED

I. FINDINGS

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, finds that:

- A. On December 17, 1974, the Regional Board adopted Order No. 74-194 (NPDES No. CA 0037460) prescribing waste discharge requirements for the discharge by the City of Half Moon Bay, hereinafter referred to as the discharger.
- B. On November 16, 1976, the Regional Board adopted Order No. 76-116 to amend Order No. 74-194 to revise the compliance time schedule.
- C. On December 20, 1977, this Board adopted Order No. 77-157, a cease and desist order, which prohibited additional discharges to the City's sewer system.
- D. Order No. 77-157 provided for partial removal of the prohibition and allowance of additional discharges to the sewer system upon forthwith achievement and completion of certain specified tasks.
- E. The City of Half Moon Bay has satisfactorily submitted and committed the City to an operation and maintenance program for the routine operation and maintenance of equipment and instrumentation to ensure optimum operation of the existing plant. This represents the completion of task number 2 as specified in section F of the cease and desist order.
- F. The Central Coastal Regional Commission has not been processing permit applications for projects within the City of Half Moon Bay because of the Regional Board's prohibition contained in Order No. 77-157. A Coastal permit is required before the City can issue a building permit. Thus, project proponents have been precluded from qualifying for relief from the prohibition on additional connections which would otherwise be available upon accomplishment of the specified tasks of the Cease and Desist Order.
- G. Compliance with effluent and receiving water limitations of Order No. 77-157 has not deteriorated. Compliance with Time Schedule of Order No. 77-157 has deteriorated, however, this is beyond the reasonable control of the City.
- H. On March 21, 1978, this Regional Board, after due notice, held a public hearing under provisions of Water Code Section 13301 regarding the discharge of waste and pollutants by the City of Half Moon Bay.

II. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Board Order No. 77-157, Section II. F. second paragraph, is amended to add the wording underlined below:

"The City should submit to the Board adequate documentation of completion of any one of these tasks at least forty (40) days prior to the Board meeting at which they are requesting consideration for partial or complete removal of the prohibition.

If the Board determines that the City has forthwith achieved and completed all tasks in any section and that compliance with other limitations and time schedules has not deteriorated, the Board will partially remove said prohibition and will allow the City additional discharges sufficient to serve those proposed projects for which the City has received and processed all documents required by the City for issuance of a building permit. If the City does not receive and process documents as stated herein because the Coastal Commission is not processing or issuing permits for proposed projects, the Board will allow the City a specified number or volume of additional discharges."

III. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT the prohibition of additional discharges to the sewer system, as provided in Order No. 77-157, as amended, is partially removed and the City of Half Moon Bay is allowed additional discharges to the sewer system sufficient to serve a total of 77 single-family residential equivalent connections with an approximate total volume of 15,400 gallons per day.

I, Fred H. Dierker, Executive Officer, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, on March 21, 1978.

FRED H. DIERKER
Executive Officer